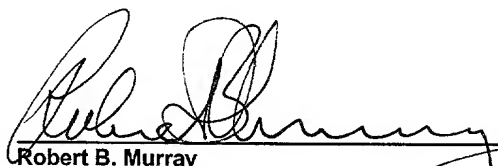


FORM PTO-1390 (REV 5-93)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 108384-00038	
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371				DATE: December 31, 2001	
				U.S. APPLN. NO. (IF KNOWN, SEE 37 C.F.R. 1.5) Not Yet Assigned <b>10/019487</b>	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP01/05127		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 15 June 2001		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 28 June 2000	
TITLE OF INVENTION: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING OXIDE-DISPERSION ENHANCED PLATINUM MATERIAL					
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Toru SHOJI, Soichi HITOMI, Yoshikazu TAKAGI, Yoshinobu WATANABE					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. (THE BASIC FILING FEE IS ATTACHED)</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures [35 U.S.C. 371(f)] at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).</li> <li>4. <input type="checkbox"/> A proper demand for International Preliminary Amendment was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)]           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)].</li> <li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)].</li> <li>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)].</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)].</li> </ol> <p>Items 11 - 16 below concern other document(s) or information included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.</li> <li>16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PCT/IB/304, PCT/ISA/220, PCT/ISA/210, PCT/IB/301, PCT/RO/105, PCT/RO/101 (in Japanese) Drawings (2 sheets)</li> </ol>					

U.S. APPLICATION (IF KNOWN) SEE 37 C.F.R. 1.50) <b>Not Yet Assigned</b> <div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">10/019487</div>		INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP01/05127		ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 108384-00038  DATE: December 31, 2001			
<b>17. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:</b> <b>Basic National Fee [37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5)]:</b> Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO.....\$890.00 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482).....\$710.00 No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO [37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)].....\$740.00 Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 C.F.R. 1.482) or international search fee [37 C.F.R. 1.445(a)(2)] paid to USPTO.....\$1,040.00 International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 C.F.R. 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4).....\$ 100.00				CALCULATIONS		PTO USE ONLY	
<b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</b>				\$ 890.00			
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date [37 C.F.R. 1.492(e)].				\$ 0.00			
Claims		Number Filed		Number Extra		Rate	
Total Claims		8 - 20 =		0		X \$ 18.00	
Independent Claims		1 - 3 =		0		X \$ 84.00	
Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)				+ \$280.00		\$ 0.00	
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$ 890.00			
Reduction by one-half for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity statement must also be filed. (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).				\$ 0.00			
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				\$ 890.00			
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later the <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date [37 C.F.R. 1.492(f)].				\$ 0.00			
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				\$ 890.00			
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment [37 C.F.R. 1.21(h)]. The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property				\$ 40.00			
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>				\$ 930.00			
				Amount to be refunded		\$	
				Charged		\$	
<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 01-2300 in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fee. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.</p> <p>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive [37 C.F.R. 1.137(a) or (b)] must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</p> <p>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: <b>Arent Fox Kintner Plotkin &amp; Kahn</b> 1050 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. Suite 400 Washington, D.C. 20036-5339 Tel: (202) 857-6000 Fax: (202) 638-4810 RBM/aam</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;"> <b>Robert B. Murray</b> Reg. No. 22,980</div>							